



Brownfields 2004 Grant Fact Sheet

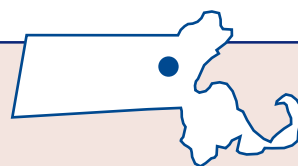
Marlborough, MA

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic development to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, the President signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The City of Marlborough (population 36,255) was selected to receive a brownfields cleanup grant. The former boot factory is located in an old low- to moderate-income neighborhood of mainly multi-family dwellings which has historically been home to new immigrants, most recently Hispanics. A high percentage of the rapidly increasing senior population of Marlborough also lives in the older neighborhoods surrounding the factory. While the number of senior citizens in the city has increased, the availability of affordable housing dedicated for elderly persons has not increased. The city plans to redevelop the site with either independent living senior housing with partial services or fully assisted senior housing. In addition to



Cleanup Grant

New
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\$173,583 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Marlborough for a brownfields cleanup grant. Grant funds will be used to clean up hazardous substances associated with the production of shoes and leather products at 84 Chestnut Street, the 1.4-acre site of the former Frye Boot Factory.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, the activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

creating affordable housing in a convenient downtown neighborhood with many available services, cleanup and redevelopment of this site is expected to provide a major boost to the revitalization of the surrounding neighborhoods.